created in, VII Plan are given in the attached statement. *[See* Appendix CXI. II, Annexurfe No. 47].

(c.) It is not likely to affect the ongoing research pfj^amrhe due to the fact that the staff, has been provided based on the new research priorities! identified for VII Plan..

(d) There may not be any unemployment, problem since. a number of new posts, have been created as could foe seen, from-the Annexure. There are also a large number of vacancies in the Agricultural. Universities against which they may be adjusted and the Vice-Chancellors have been requested to do so, Further, Indian Council of Agricultural Research has been allow-ing the Universities to continue some positions which-they found difficult, to adjust

Assistance to the allottess of surplus land

817. SHRI SHANTI -TYAG}: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the area of land-deriared surplus in the country during the year 1986 and whether it has, been distr-buted to the landless. and weaker sections of the society; and

(p) what assistance Government ha«/e provided to the allottees of the surplus land to start cultivation there on?.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINI STRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA),: (a) Dur. ing 1986 an additional area of 3. 42 lakh a0res has! been declared surplus and if additional area of* 1. 36 lakh acfes has been distributed to eligible . beneficiaries.

(b) Under the 'Centrally Sponsored Scheme of financial: assistance to the assignees of ceiling surplus land, an amount of Rs, 2, 500 per hectare is provided to beneficiaries for various pbrposes like simple land develop ment provision of inputs as well as immediate consumption. needs. An amount of Rs. 412. 25. lakhs. has • been released to the States during 1986-87 under this Scheme. Besides,. the bene-ficiaries of surplus ceiling. " land are also eligible to receive assistance - under various rural development Programmes like TRDP NREP, RLEGP etc.

Draft plan National' Capital Regfei

818. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH:,

Will the Minister of URBAN "DEVE-. LOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a, v whether the broad outlines of the National Capital Region, plan have since been worked out if. so, what are the details thereof together with the estimated expenditure involved; and

(b) by when the NCR-draft plan is expected to be ready and, the progress made in this regard so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOP-MENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes,. Sir. The N. C. R. Planning Board formulated an Interim Development Plan 2001, -for the harmoniseli development of the: Natiorial Capital Region, which has identified 8 towns complexes for priority: development in the Region. The towns/complexes are Meerut, Hapur,. Bulandshafrr-Khurja, Panipat,. Rohtak, palwal, Rewari-Bhi-wadi-Dharuhera and Alwar. The devee Iopment proposals include *inter-alia* .. provision/upgradation of infrastruc-tural facilities. The IDP contains ' a ppckage of policy measures in. respect of Delhi, DMA towns and the rest of the region, for achieving the NCR objective. This includes decelerated growth in the Delhi UT, moderate growth in the DMA and induced , growth in the identified towns in the region. The tenfative cost of the pro-pro-posals in the TDP, excluding that of power (sector, has been estimated at Rs. 304l, crores at 1985 prices.

(b,) Surveys and studies for the "pre-paratkm of the Regional Plan are in progress and the draft Regional Plan ' is expected to be ready by mid, 1987. ' Implementation of IRDP

819, SHRI RAOOF ' VALIULLAH: Will 'the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware- of a study conducted by a -group in Jhafoua District in Madhya Pradesh abput IRDP beneficiaries according to 'Which IRDP hac pushed 'its beneficial-ries further below the poverty line;

(b) whether it is a fact that form thf-zero level of indebtedness in fee pre-scheme period the beneficiaries. have not been lifted above poverty line in the ppgt-scheme period;

icy it-so, what corrective measures are' being, taken by Government in the implementation of this scheme;

and

(d) whether any other instance has come to the notice of Government with similar situation? -

THE'MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT'OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINI-STRy OF AGRICULTURE (JSHRI YO&ENDRA "MAKWANAY:; (a). to (d) A copy of the study-poverty Alleviation Programme-Feed back from. Jhabua conducted by Shri H. Pais and Shri C. S. K. Singh on behalf of Rational tabour Institute has been received. The study covers v 340 households cff which only 85 households were identified as beneficiaries of the IRDP any that too in bnly 10 out of 1760[1], villages of Jihabua district. The sample size is fop small to come to any general conclusion. The study has pointed out weaknesses like lapse in identification faulty selection of schemes, lack ef marketing), facilities and non-involvement of beneficiaries etc These are all abcation and'family special fic *on* the basis of major evaluation studies carried out" during the Sixtfe J Plan a number of corrective. steps have been taken to revamp the t IRDP. ' The Concurrent Evaluation.. Reports on IRDP ffor 12 months from October 1985-September 1986 covering 16101 beneficiary households in "almost all the districts, of the country by 29 reputed academic/research -institutions show some very positive results. The steps taken to revamp the IRDP during the Seventh plan are given in the attached statement...

Statement

Steps *taken to: inprove the implementation of the IRt) Programme in the Vljth Five Year Plan*

It The poverty line/ has been kept • at, Rs 3400. ' The income of the" as-"sisted families is to be raised" to this level;. 2. For identification purposes, the cut off, point has been raised. to 'Rs. 4800 per family. However, all the families with • income'upto. Rs., 3500 have to be covered before taking up , families with higher income;

3. A higher investment per Family •including package of assistance to 'enable proper return on investment, for new beneficiaries';:. , -

4. Supplemental dose of i assistance - of thdse families assisted during Vlth Plan who have not been able to cross the poverty lin, for no fault of their own; '

5. The approach of uniformity has been changed to one of selectivity" based" on'poverty incidence;

•6. Identification of beneficiaries must'Involve the people's repre"sen-. tatives much more closely

7. Efforts to improve the linkages through identifying bodies at district' level for this purpose pr the establishment of District Supply & Marketing Societies;

- 8. Increasing the coverage of wo men beneficiaries to 30 per cent

9. Initiating a new scheme for the proper coordination of the training